To whom it may concern,

I am writing in opposition of HB 5447. I have been in the field of Special Education for over 15 years and know how costly it can be to provide an appropriate and individualized program to children with special needs. The impact it will have on children with special needs and their families is detrimental. Some children need assistance with each and every single task of their day from the time they wake up until the time they go to sleep. Providers of special education are teaching students how to reach their maximum potential and independence with everyday life in tasks many people take for granted. Please do not let this bill move forward.

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